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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Title: NONWOVEN WEBS HAVING |) | Customer ID: 22827 |
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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned
application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on p. 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on pg. 3 of this paper.